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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

 An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Ms. Buschmann on April 28, 2009.

The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 5. (Currently amended) A system for applying pressure to an arm, said system comprising: an innermost therapeutic pressure sleeve (TPS) comprising a cylindrical body open at both ends having ridges formed over an inner surface and configured to be slid over the entire length of the arm from the shoulder to the wrist and to apply an inward pressure thereon; and at least a second sleeve comprising a cylindrical body open at both ends being configured to be slid wholly over the entire length of the TPS such that the second sleeve will have the same length as the first sleeve therapeutic pressure sleeve and will apply additional inward pressure onto the limb when the second sleeve is in place over the first sleeve-therapeutic pressure sleeve.

Conclusion

 Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to CLINTON OSTRUP whose telephone number is (571)272-5559. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday. Art Unit: 3771

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Justine Yu can be reached on (571) 272-4835. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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